

## Section 1.1: Differential equations and mathematical models

New vocabulary:

- differential equation
- Order of a d.e.
- Solution of a d.e.
- Ordinary and partial d.e.'s  $\rightarrow$  1 variable
- Initial condition, initial value problem

An equation like  $\frac{d^3P}{dt^3} = P^5 + t$

A solution is a function  $P(t)$

The order is the highest derivative that occurs

This one has order 3

Initial condition is like  $P(0) = 23$

D.E. + I.C. = an initial value problem.

1.1 question 20: Verify that  $y(x)$  satisfies the given d.e.

- a) Find a value of  $C$  so that  $y(x)$  satisfies the given initial condition.
- b) Sketch several typical solutions of the d.e. and highlight the one that satisfies the given initial condition.

$$y' = x - y; \quad y(x) = Ce^{-x} + x - 1; \quad y(0) = 1$$

d.e.                      solution                      I.C.

a)  $y' = -Ce^{-x} + 1$ ,  $x - y = x - Ce^{-x} - x + 1$   
These are equal.

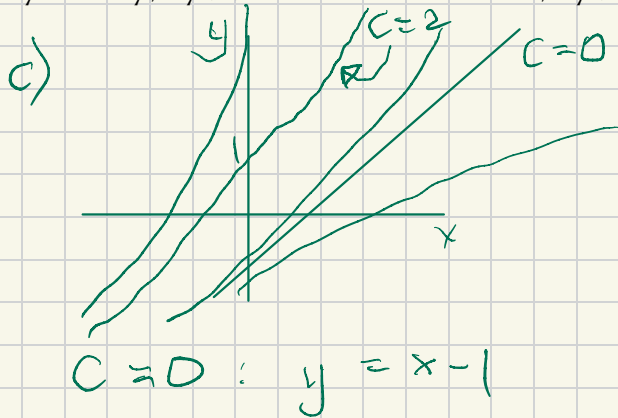
b)  $y(0) = Ce^0 + 0 - 1 = C - 1 = 1$ ,  
so  $C = 2$ .

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Find a value of  $C$  so that  $y(x)$  satisfies the given initial condition.

c) Sketch several typical solutions of the d.e. and highlight the one that satisfies the given initial condition.

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Class Activity!!!

If  $y(0) = 10$ , what is  $C$ ?

a.  $e^{10}$

b. 9

c. 10

d. 11 ✓

e. None of the above.

## Some equations in the text.

Example 3: Newton's law of cooling where the body temperature is  $T(t)$  and the ambient temperature is  $A$ .

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = k(T - A)$$

We don't need to know Example 4: Torricelli's law.

Example 5: the size of a population  $P(t)$  with constant birth and death rates.

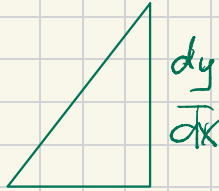
$$\frac{dP}{dt} = kP$$

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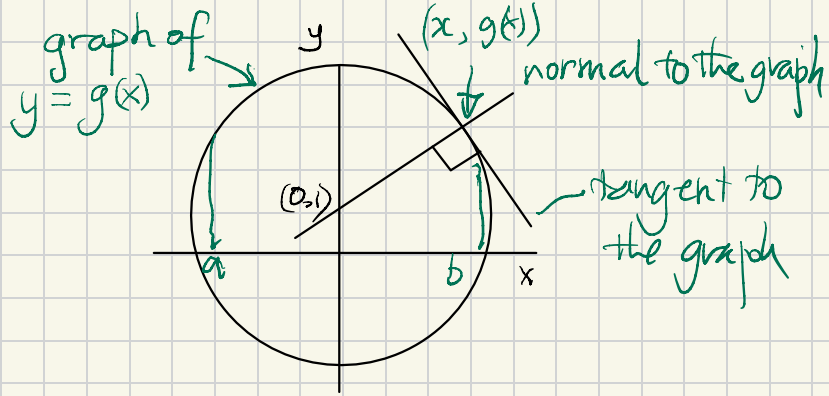
Write a differential equation  $dy/dx = f(x,y)$  having a function  $g$  as one of its solutions, where  $g$  is described by:

Every straight line normal to the graph of  $g$  passes through the point  $(0,1)$ .

We find a tangent vector to the graph. The vector  $(1, \frac{dy}{dx})$  has slope  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ . Tail points in the tangent direction.



The normal line passes through  $(0,1)$  and  $(x, g(x))$  so  $(x, g(x)-1)$  points in the normal direction.



Equation:  $(1, y') \cdot (x, y-1) = 0$

$x + y'(y-1) = 0$  is the required d.e.